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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: HAFC DATE TYPED: 3/04/03 HB 67/HAFCS

SHORT TITLE: Amend Information Technology Management Act SB _____

ANALYST: Paz

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04		
			See Narrative		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates SB 244/SJCS, Amend Info Technology Management Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

- 341 Department of Finance and Administration
- 350 General Services Department
- 361 Information Technology Management Office
- 521 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources
- 667 Department of Environment
- 630 Human Services Department
- 690 Children, Youth & Families Department
- 665 Department of Health
- 790 Department of Public Safety
- 770 Corrections Department
- 924 State Department of Public Education
- 950 Commission on Higher Education

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Appropriation and Finance Committee Substitute for House Bill 67 amends the Information Technology Management Act (Section 15-1C NMSA 1978) as follows:

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- Changes the information technology commission membership from fourteen to fifteen by changing members appointed by the governor from four to five, changes local government members from advisory to voting status, changes the CIO from voting status to advisory, and adds two staff from the Legislative Finance Committee and Legislative Council Service as advisory members.
- Clarifies the role of the CIO to strengthen the CIO's oversight and approval authority over all information technology. Changes the name of the agency to the Office of the Chief Information Officer.
- Improves upon the current quality assurance process, whereby the commission certifies information technology projects and releases funding in phases, regardless of funding source. A penalty provision of misdemeanor is specified for a person intentionally violating the commission's certification process. This provision parallels the procurement code. Clarifies that education, judicial and legislative agencies are encouraged to participate in the IT management act, but are not required.
- Sunset review of this agency is extended from July 1, 2005 to July 1, 2009.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill does not include an appropriation. However, recurring costs will be absorbed within the Information Technology Management Office base budget.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT

The information technology commission must adopt rules for certifying significant information technology projects by phases. The office of the CIO will propose rules to the commission and provide consulting services to agencies related to project management and the commission certification process. Agencies remain responsible for implementing effective project management practices that focus on identifying and mitigating risks early on in the project cycle, including certification requirements adopted by the commission.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

Stakeholders, including the commission, the state CIO, agency information technology management, the governor's office and the legislative information technology oversight committee held discussions and communications beginning in October 2002 to identify technical issues with the current oversight process. Technical issues focus on identifying appropriate locations and levels of control to enhance the current oversight process of large information technology projects without disabling agencies from accomplishing their goals and objectives.

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